

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Entry of this response and reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified patent application are respectfully requested. An information disclosure statement is submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to consider the references identified therein.

Claims 1, 36, and 45 have been amended to clarify the claims and to correct minor errors associated therewith. No claims have been added. Claims 40 and 51 has been canceled.

In response to the restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 in the office action dated June 11, 2008, Applicant elects Species I, corresponding to Figure 6 and which consists of claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 14-18, 20-24, 27-29, 33-39, 41, 43-46 and 50 without traverse.

It is Applicant's understanding that this election is being made to aid the Examiner in conducting a search and examination of the claimed subject matter, and is not to be construed as limiting the scope of Applicant's claims.

The present application is believed to be in condition for examination on the merits. Favorable examination leading to early allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

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CONCLUSION

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Mel Barnes at (410) 757-6643, to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic interview.

Authorization is hereby granted to charge any deficiencies in fees, including any fees for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to Deposit Account 50-3970. Please credit any overpayment in fees to the same deposit account.

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